

BLESSED IS HE WHO HAS FOUND HIS WORK; LET HIM ASK NO OTHER BLESSEDNESS.—Carlyle

ARMY, NAVY, MARINE SPEAKERS HERE WITH SALUTE WOOD TOUR

The Army "Salute to Wood" Caravan made a stop of nearly an hour at the Gould Academy athletic field last Friday morning and presented a program of brief addresses, band selections and military drill, which was of interest to a large gathering. The audience, which was made up largely of Academy and town school pupils had little advance notice of the occasion, and it is to be regretted that more people having active interest in the lumber and pulpwood industry could not be present. Groups of local people however went to Norway, Rumford or Berwick longer stops were made by the Caravan.

During the brief visit here the displays showing military and naval uses of wood products were not opened, but the addresses stressed the need of greater wood production in a convincing way. Maj. Alex Smith, who was in command of the tour, was one of the speakers and introduced Sgt. Robert McDermott of Malden, whose arm was blown off in Tunisia; Opl. Forrest Gesswein, U. S. M. C. who was injured in the fighting in the Solomons; Lt. A. E. Ramhurst, U. S. N., representing the Undersecretary of the Navy; and Lt. Elizabeth Scheider of Vermont, who has recently returned from hospital duty in Australia. Although all spoke very briefly, their messages held the close attention and the entire program will be long remembered by the young people.

The visitors reported that actual benefits are resulting from the tour, which follows a similar trip in the South. While in many cases additional "manpower" is not available, it is said that those now employed are putting in more hours and more days after the need for greater production is shown so realistically at the regularly scheduled stops.

The Caravan included 150 officers and men from Army posts of the First Service Command, with full field and camp equipment, and was on a two weeks 1000 mile tour of the woods and mill centers of New England.

GOULD 54-WILTON 0

Gould Academy annexed its fifth straight victory of the season by defeating Wilton Academy in an easy 54-0 victory. The local eleven was all set for what was expected to be a real tough battle; but they found the going easier than their past one sided victories. Wilton evidently slipped greatly their line wasn't charging, the tackling was poor, especially in the backfield. Once Gould runners got through the line, long runs came on most occasions, many of them for touchdowns. Gould was Wilton's outstanding ball carrier. He evaded Gould tacklers to sprint for 45 and 50 yards only to be hauled down from behind on both occasions.

Gould Academy played its best game of the season. It was a victory of teamwork, coordination, and fundamentals. Stan Merrill had a field day as he scored four touchdowns. Two of these came from runs of 50 and 76 yards, where Stan really displayed his speed and clever running. The fine work of Jim Reid was especially noticed on the defense.

NATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

The week of Nov. 7 has been designated as National Education Week when the citizens of our country in their respective school units are asked to center their thoughts on educational matters. Schools in the Bethel union will present no special programs but the parents and friends of the schools are urged to visit the classrooms at some time during the week. The presence of parents and citizens is always in inspiration and incentive to teachers and pupils. Let them come and see the boys and girls in their school house. —Carrie M. Wight, Supt. of Schools.

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Bethel Loses Two Men When Boat Capsizes On Umbagog; Still Search For Third Victim

The community was much saddened and shocked Friday night upon learning of the death of two well-known and popular citizens while returning from a week's hunting trip.

Two prominent Bethel men, John Howe and William Hastings of East Bethel, lost their lives Friday afternoon on Umbagog Lake when their boat capsized in heavy waves after the outboard motor stopped, and Harry Brooks of North Weymouth, Mass., is missing. The fourth member of the party, D. Grover Brooks, merchant and president of the Bethel Savings Bank, made his way ashore and walked about four miles to True Durkee's in Upton. The bodies of Mr. Howe and Mr. Hastings were recovered Monday afternoon and the search still continues for the body of Mr. Brooks, who at first was believed to have reached the shore of Blake Island.

D. Grover Brooks has been at the scene of the tragedy most of the time, where his direction has helped greatly in the progress of the search so far.

The party were returning from their tenth annual hunting trip in the locality. The accident occurred near Blake Island, a short distance south of Dutton, or Metlak, island. The survivor was about two hours in reaching shore, and then was so exhausted that he could not start at once through woods and swamps for help.

JOHN H. HOWE

John H. Howe was born at East Bethel June 7, 1891, the son of Fred and Agnes Hastings Howe. He attended Gould Academy and has been a selectman of Bethel for 16 years. He married Miss Edith Kimball of Bethel June 25, 1914. Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter Agnes, wife of James Haines; a son Rodney; four grandchildren, Nancy, Peter and George Haines and Stanley Howe; and an uncle, George K. Hastings, all of East Bethel.

Mr. Howe was a member of Alder River Grange and the Knights of Pythias.

WILLIAM S. HASTINGS

William S. Hastings was born in East Bethel July 31, 1901, the son of George K. and Mary F. Field Hastings. He attended Gould Academy and the University of Maine. He was a member of the Masons, Order of the Eastern Star, and Alder River Grange, of which he was treasurer for 13 years.

Mr. Hastings has been associated with his father and brother in farming, and for several years has done much surveying in this section.

He married Miss Ruth Cole of Greenwood Oct. 1, 1923. Besides his wife he is survived by a daughter Barbara; two sons, William and Edward; his father, George Hastings; a brother, Robert D. Hastings, all of East Bethel; an aunt, Mrs. Abbie Millett, and uncle, John Fifield, both of South Paris; and several cousins.

Both Mr. Howe and Mr. Hastings will be greatly missed by their neighbors and their many friends. Whenever an emergency arose or a neighbor was in need both arrived to lend a helping hand. They

GOULD AND MEXICO MEET IN FEATURE TILT

In what looks to be the feature "Class B" game of the season, Gould Academy will meet the Mexico Pintos at Bethel on Saturday. Both schools boast powerful teams with Gould having tucked five scraps handsly under her belt. Mexico boasts of victories over Wilton Academy, South Paris and Berlin, N. H., along with a scoreless tie with the Rumford Panther.

Comparative scores are interesting but mean nothing in this game. However here are some comparisons. Gould defeated South Paris 27-6, Mexico did it 34-0. In the first game of the season Mexico defeated Wilton 7-0 but last week Gould ran wild over a demoralized and slipping Wilton eleven 54-0. While the Bethel outfit was performing this trick however, the "Orange and Black" of Mexico were performing an equally impressive job of shellacking Berlin 39-0. It looks like the number one Class "B" game in the state this week end.

Coach Scott is giving his charges their final "touching up" for this last game of the season. The Academy cheer-leaders have plans made for a pep-fest and bonfire on the campus Friday night. Pinto supporters are expected in large numbers here to encourage their favorites in this all important game.

Mrs. Henry Bennett was badly cut on the arm by a saw at Thursday's mill.

John Anderson and son, Harold arrived last Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Helen Sprague, in Leadville, Colo.

They were cousins and had lived, worked and played side by side all their lives.

The funeral service was held in the church at East Bethel this Thursday afternoon, Rev. H. T. Wallace of Scituate, Mass., officiating. The Masons and Knights of Pythias held their committal services.

HARRY BRADBURY BROOKS

Harry B. Brooks was born in Upton April 7, 1883, the son of Aldana and Mary King Brooks. He received his education in the Upton schools, Gould Academy and Gray's Business College.

He married Miss Ethel Sanborn of Bethel, who survives. He also leaves a daughter, Jane, the wife of David Barrie; two grandchildren, Joan and Peter Barrie; two brothers, Gerry Brooks and Grover Brooks of Bethel; and a sister, Mrs. Agnes Twaddle, of Augusta. For many years he has been connected with the coal business in Boston and was credit manager of the Cutter Coal Company. For some time he held a credit position with the R. H. White Co. His home was at North Weymouth, Mass.

FOOTBALL

MEXICO HIGH SCHOOL

vs.

GOULD ACADEMY

2 p. m., SAT., NOV. 6

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LEGION TO OBSERVE ARMISTICE DAY WITH PROGRAM AT GYM

The George A. Mundt Post, No. 81, American Legion, will hold their Armistice Day celebration in the William Bingham Gymnasium on Thursday evening, Nov. 11, at 8 o'clock sharp. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The meeting will be opened by Commander John Meserve of the George A. Mundt Post, with the advancing of colors. The program for the evening is as follows:

Prayer by the Chaplain
Selection, Maine State Guard Reserve Band
Introduction of Invited Guests
Selection, Gould Academy Glee Club
Address by Cecil J. Siddall, Past State Commander American Legion and Liaison Officer of the State for World War II veterans
Presentation of Gold Star Citations by Isaac Dyer, Americanism Officer of George A. Mundt Post
Presentation of Posthumous Legion Membership by Commander Meserve
Benediction, Rev. M. A. Gordon
Star Spangled Banner, Band

MRS. HARRY DYER

Funeral services for Mrs. Harry Dyer, a long time resident of Hanover, were held at the Greenleaf funeral home Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Howard Palmer of Rumford officiated. Mrs. Dyer passed away in Sanford, Oct. 30.

Mrs. Belle Hutchinson, who has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks, is being cared for by Mrs. Louisa Tibbetts of West Bethel.

Mrs. Frank Green of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Miss Rachel Gordon of Boston were week end guests of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Gordon.

Royal Hodsdon, Wesley Wheeler, Edward Bennett, Cheslie Saunders and Irvin French attended the K. of P. convention at Andover Friday evening.

Mrs. William Zintl is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Brown, before going to join her husband, who is stationed in Illinois.

Warren Blake, Edwin Brown, and the Misses Constance Philbrick, Jean Fall and Sylvia Bird were in Keene, N. H., Sunday to attend the dedication of the new airport.

A meeting of the Parent Teacher Association will be held next Monday evening. The program will be in charge of Miss Alice Ballard, Mrs. Hilda Donahue, and Mrs. Jane Van Den Kerkhove.

Members of the Junior Guild will have a pot luck supper at Garland Chapel next Wednesday evening. The meeting at 8 o'clock will be open to the public. Miss Ethel Walsh, H. D. A., will speak on Wartime Home Making and will show colored slides.

HALL'S BARBER SHOP

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Interruption of Electric Service

SUNDAY, NOV. 7, 1943, weather permitting, there will be an interruption of electric service from 1:00 A. M. to 5:00 A. M. which will affect the following towns in Norway District: Welchville, Oxford, Otisfield, Paris Hill, West Paris, Sumner, Greenwood, Woodstock, Mason, Milton, Bethel, Gilead, Newry.

This interruption is for the purpose of allowing work to be done on our transmission line.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

A Non-Partisan Editorial Review of the Events of Each Week, Illustrated

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union news analysts, and not necessarily of this newspaper.

ITALY: New Difficulties

To add to the Allies' difficulties in Italy, heavy rain has clogged the countryside, and new burdens have been imposed on the lines of communication bringing supplies to the front.

Because of the inability of motor vehicles to operate over the muddy and mountainous terrain, the Allies are relying increasingly on horses, burros and mules. But they are finding it hard to obtain them since the Germans took most of these animals out of southern Italy or shot those they could not take, and the Fighting French have been unwilling to give up the horses, etc., they have in North Africa for fear of breaking up their mounted units.

Encouraged by Allied difficulties, Nazi Marshal Kesselring reportedly has reinforced his army fighting a logged delaying action in the rugged country. After retreating from the Volturno river line, the Germans took up positions on the 2,500-foot-high Massico ridge, where they were expected to make another stand before dropping back to the mountains farther north.

Try to Maintain Morale

On October 17, 1918, Germany's General Erich Ludendorff declared: "The tension of the individual man has reached a degree which cannot be increased."

Not long after Germany cracked under the strain, and steely, dynamic General Ludendorff fell apart with the rest. Today, Germany's Hitler, Goebbels and Goering remember 1918, and the Nazis are working feverishly to hold up the people's morale against the Allies' shattering air attacks.

Hitler has ordered the construction of underground concrete hospitals in battle zones, as well as first aid posts and auxiliary hospitals in the cellars of the most solid buildings. Newspapers are carrying on a concerted campaign to educate the people in treatment of eye injuries caused by the heat, smoke, dust, glass-splinters and phosphorus clouds generated by bombing raids.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC: Japs Build Air Bases

While they are slowly being squeezed out of the Solomons and central New Guinea, the Japanese are feverishly constructing a string of bomber and fighter bases on the Celebes islands and the Dutch East Indies to the west.

Reconnaissance by Allied planes reveals that the Japs have laid many new concrete runways in these territories, and are laying up stores of supplies in warehouses spread around these air centers.

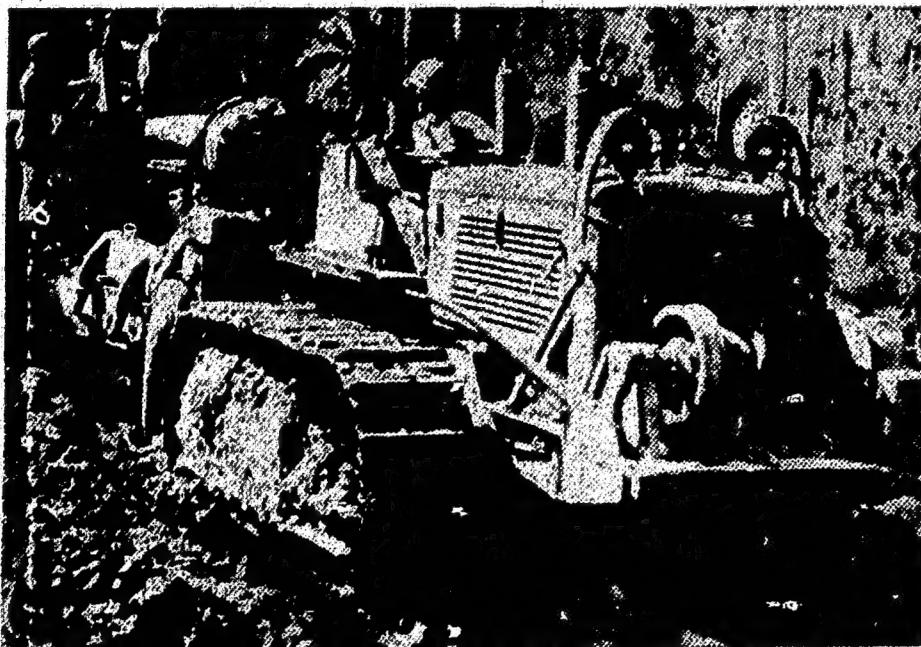
Apparent purpose of these air bases is to thwart any move General MacArthur might make against the rich oil, quinine and tin lands of the Indies from Australia to the east, or Lord Mountbatten might make from India to the north.

In New Guinea, Jap forces are pressing Allied troops north of Finschhafen, in an action apparently designed to delay MacArthur's further movement to the north.

HOME FRONT: FDR Meets Labor Leaders

Answering labor's complaint against the stabilization of wages in the face of a per cent increase in the cost of living since last year, President Roosevelt promised AFL and CIO leaders that the retail prices would be rolled back through producers' or processors' subsidies.

FDR met with the labor leaders even as there were rumblings of discontent among the railway unions



Marines are shown hauling 155 mm. rifle through mud to new position on tropical Rendova island in the central Solomons. Known as "Long Toms," these 155 mm. field pieces soon went to work to hurl shells into Jap posts seven miles away.

over wage raises. The non-operating railway union was kicking because Economic Stabilization Director Fred Vinson had set aside an eight-cents-an-hour pay boost recommended by a government mediation board, while the operating railway unions claimed they were "insulted" by another mediation panel's award of a four-cents-an-hour increase after they had asked for three dollars a day.

In hearings before the War Labor board, Alabama and eastern coal operators objected to a new contract between Illinois operators and the United Mine Workers, which would boost daily wages between \$1.50 and \$1.75 by increasing the working day to 8½ hours, including all travel time to and from the pits.

BUTTER Extender Developed

A new butter extender called "Dyne" has been developed by the dairy department of the University of Wisconsin. It will be on the market shortly, says Dr. K. G. Weckel of the college of agriculture.

"While the product is not a substitute for butter," he explains, "it is expected that it will ease the demand for butter and oleomargarine."

It is made wholly of dairy products, and is of the consistency of cream cheese, and the golden color of butter. According to Dr. Henry Scott, "Dyne" contains 26 per cent butterfat and 17 per cent milk solids.

In the Headlines . . .

Accustomed to returning to darkened cells, incorrigibles of Georgia's state prison were surprised to find their quarters ablaze with light and night and radios available.

The changes were in line with Governor Ellis Arnall's sweeping prison reform, marked by legislative action to ban whipping and shackles, and liquidation of the dreaded chain gang camps.

When 83-year-old Civil war vet Frank M. Frary died in Denver, Colo., recently, it was discovered that he had been carrying \$81,010 in his vest pocket for the last two years.

A retired conductor from the Burlington railroad, Frary had converted securities into cash two years ago, and kept the money wrapped in brown paper in his vest pocket up to his death. Twenty-six relatives share in his estate.

SCHOOL BILL: Killed in Senate

Following adoption of an amendment by Senator William Langer (N. D.) against racial discrimination in the use of funds, the senate killed the 300 million dollar public education bill.

Under terms of the bill, states would have received 200 million dollars in federal funds for school uses during the war, and 100 million dollars in additional permanent grants. Major portions of the money would have gone toward increasing teachers' salaries.

In introducing his amendment, Senator Langer said some states would not apportion the money equitably for the benefit of all races. Despite Senator Langer's assertion, the Negro teachers' association and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Children supported the bill.

48-HOUR WEEK: For More Production

To meet the demand for record production, the War Manpower commission ordered 71 different areas to go on a 48 hour week, and advised 112 others to prepare to shift to the longer work period.

To make up for the shortage of manpower, the WMC determined on the 48 hour week to get more production per person. Previously, the 48 hour week had been in effect in 40 out of 71 areas where the WMC had declared a labor scarcity existed. Now, the remaining 31 areas must go on the longer week.

In the other 112 areas, the WMC saw the possibility of a labor shortage. If such a shortage impends, preparations will be made to meet it before it occurs to interfere with production.

The 48-hour week already has been instituted in such industries as logging, non-ferrous mining and smelting, and iron and steel.

WORLD WAR II: Toughest Yet

Japan is building more planes than we are destroying, and she has not as yet called all of her eligible draftees or young men between the ages of 17 and 20. U. S. military experts told congressmen in secret session.

Because the Japs have 500,000 soldiers massed within striking distance, the Allies would be confronted with difficult problems of defense in case Russia granted the U. S. bombing bases in Siberia, the congressmen were told.

The military experts declared that the Germans were concentrating their fighter planes on breaking up Allied bombing formations, and that, in many cases, the German pilots were purposely colliding with our big sky fortresses. Transportation of supplies still remains one of the No. 1 war problems, it was reported.

Leaving the meeting, one congressman said: "General Marshall gave us the impression that we are in one helluva war."

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS: Slight Increase

Despite greatly increased industrial activity, accidental deaths have increased only slightly over the preceding years of peace, a survey of life insurance records reveals. A sharp rise such as occurred in 1917 and '18 had been feared.

Contributing greatly to the improvement has been the reduction in deaths from falls, the leading cause in 1917-18. There were also fewer fatal accidents on railroads, and fewer deaths from burns, acute poisoning (gas excepted), drownings and firearms. The 1942 rate was 43 per cent lower than that for 1918, which was 76.5 per 100,000 workers.

Explosions in munitions plants took far fewer lives than in the last war. Disasters of this type accounted for 1,800 deaths in the World War I period. The largest number killed by explosions between 1940 and the present is 54.

FREE SPEECH: For Employers

Employers have the right to address their employees on the eve of a union election in a plant, the Supreme court ruled in effect by refusing to review the decision of a lower court granting the employer this right. In 1941, the high tribunal had decreed that the national labor relations act did not prohibit an employer from expressing his views on labor policies or problems to his employees.

In disputing the lower court's opinion in the present case, the National Labor Relations board contended that the employer's right to address his employees could not be considered free speech where the employees were virtually compelled to listen to him, and might be influenced by any insinuation he might make about their standing in case they joined a union.

RUSSIA: Nazis' 'Darkest Hour'

As Russian troops poured across the Dnieper river and promised to trap 1,000,000 German soldiers from the rear, word came from Berlin that the Nazis admitted they faced their darkest hour.

Upon the shoulders of Hitler's army fell the gigantic task of blunting the Russian drive before it could roll southward across the southern Ukraine's broad plains and trap the Germans from behind while they held the line against other Red forces attacking from the front.

As the German lines sagged, the Nazis were reported rushing thousands of troops from the Crimea, immediately to the south. In Melitopol, German and Russian soldiers fought in the streets of the ruined city, with enemy machine gunners operating from charred buildings to delay the Reds' advance.

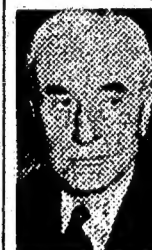
Both sides sustained heavy losses in men and materiel.

Big Three Meet

Behind the high walls of Russia's forbidding Kremlin, U. S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull, British Foreign Minister Anthony Eden and Soviet Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov started conferences designed to bring their countries closer together in the military, political and economic fields.

While Molotov was expected to raise the issue of the U. S. and Britain opening a second front in western Europe to draw off some of the 200 German divisions facing Russia in the east, it was said Hull and Eden would attempt to persuade the Reds to reconsider their demands for postwar annexation of the Baltic states and parts of Poland, Rumania and Finland.

As the conferees met, it was announced the U. S., Britain and Canada had entered into a new lend-lease agreement with Russia, promising her additional food and military supplies this winter.



(Top to bottom) Hull, Eden, Molotov

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

MAESTRO: Ben Bernie, the "Ol' Maestro" of radio fame, is dead at 50 in Beverly Hills, Calif. He succumbed to a heart ailment following an attack of pneumonia.

TELEGRAPH: Because of its merger with the Postal Telegraph company, the Western Union Telegraph company is closing 1,800 offices.

MOSQUITOES: When the bugler blows "mosquito call," marines on Guadalcanal put on their head covering and mosquito repellent and tuck their trousers into their socks. The call, especially chosen by the commanding general, is sounded at 6 p. m.

PAJAMAS: Cloth is so scarce in Great Britain that the Royal Air force fliers have to go without pajamas. Viscount Hinchinbrooke has brought the matter to the attention of parliament.

FURNACE: The largest furnace for the production of shell cases ever built is being shipped to Russia, officials at the National Metal Congress state. It will produce 12 million shell cases a day.

SURGERY: A new "thread" for suturing arm and leg nerves and for other delicate operations, is being used by army surgeons. The "thread" is extremely fine wire, almost invisible to the naked eye. It is made of tantalum, a rare metal. Surgeons say one of the advantages of tantalum wire sutures is that they can be observed by X-ray during the healing process.

ADMIRAL: Sir Dudley Pound, recently retired admiral of the British fleet, died in London only two weeks after he left his command. He was a hero of the Battle of Jutland, principal naval engagement of the First World war. Pound was succeeded by Admiral A. B. Cunningham.

ELK MEAT: Citizens around Raton, N. M., are buying meat without ration points. It is elk meat, said to taste just like beef. A herd of 2,000 elk is being thinned out with government permission.

HELICOPTER: A newly designed helicopter with twin rotors will be tested within three months, according to a Los Angeles engineer. The machine is expected to fly forward, backward or sideways.

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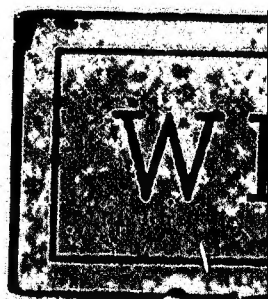
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CARIBBEAN CONSPIRACY

by BRENDA CONRAD

THE STORY SO FAR: Anne Heywood, beautiful daughter of a wealthy New York newspaper publisher, goes on an assignment to Puerto Rico where Pete Wilcox, a reporter on her father's paper, is stationed as a U. S. Army intelligence officer. On the boat she meets a young Puerto Rican, Miguel Valera, and an engineer named Richard Taussig, of whom she is suspicious, although she does not know that he is actually a German agent ordered to destroy Puerto Rico's water supply. At the hotel in San Juan Anne's luggage is searched, and she suspects Taussig. Anne and Mr. Taussig have been invited to dinner at the home of the Russell Porters, Sue Porter and Anne went to school together.

CHAPTER VII

"It's early, Miss Heywood," Mr. Taussig said as they came into the lobby and Russell's car moved out of the drive. "Why don't we have a night-cap together?"

"Oh, thanks a lot," Anne said. "But I've really—"

"I'd like to talk to you, Miss Heywood," Mr. Taussig said quietly.

For an instant Anne hesitated. A cold warning finger touched her heart. It was coming now. Miguel Valera had told him. "I don't believe it," she thought quickly. "No matter what, I don't believe it."

Mr. Taussig was looking at her intently.

"All right," she said. "In the bar?"

He waited for her to sit down, and signalled the waiter. He might be making a mistake, he thought. "I may as well come to the point at once, Miss Heywood," he said pleasantly.

Anne's throat tightened. If she only had a face like Barbara French's, she thought, where nothing ever showed. She leaned forward with a smile so that he couldn't see her heart pounding under the filmy folds of her dinner dress.

"All right," she said. "What is it?"

The waiter put their glasses down on the table. Mr. Taussig raised his. "To our better understanding, Miss Heywood."

Anne raised hers. She was aware of what Barbara had called the veiled scrutiny behind his impregnable lenses.

"It is your interest in me that confuses me slightly, Miss Heywood."

Anne looked at him blankly.

"What do you mean, Mr. Taussig?"

"Oh, not interest d'amour, Miss Heywood. I don't mean that. I mean interest in my . . . shall we say, belongings? Last night, for example?"

Anne sat perfectly calm and completely controlled while the whole bottom of a kind of lovely dream inside her dropped out in shattered fragments. Miguel had told him. "I was just returning the compliment, Mr. Taussig," she said. Her voice was calm and detached. She thought she saw him start, but she couldn't be sure.

"May I ask what you mean by that, Miss Heywood?" he asked quietly.

"You went through my bags yesterday, didn't you, Mr. Taussig?"

He was staring at her in open and undisguised astonishment. Anne misunderstood. What if she was wrong? What if it hadn't been he at all? She didn't know—she was only guessing, actually.

He recovered his composure in an instant. If she had lied, he wouldn't have known . . .

"What makes you think I did such an incredible thing?"

"Your thumb prints, Mr. Taussig," Anne said. If she'd been wrong, he could deny it, and she would apologize.

He thought quickly. His hands had been moist from the heat. He smiled.

"I think you've jumped to a very hasty conclusion, Miss Heywood. You have a bag just like one of mine. The porter put yours in my room. I opened it, but I closed it at once, of course, and had the porter take it to your room and bring mine to me. You'll find there's usually a simple explanation for most things, Miss Heywood."

"Then I apologize profoundly, Mr. Taussig," Anne said. "I'm glad we talked about it."

She got up and held out her hand. She could see the indecision in the cold blue gleam of his eyes fastened on hers. He wasn't sure whether she was telling the truth or not. And she knew he had lied.

Anne lay in the luminous half-dark under the oblong tent of cheesecloth around her bed, trying to think without feeling . . . trying to separate the things she knew from the things she suspected but did not actually know, and coloring them with her own emotions.

It was the first time in her life she had ever been confronted with a fact she wanted desperately to be blind to. It was also the first time in her life she'd ever been achingly, agonizingly unhappy. And it didn't make any sense.

What she had done had been stupid and dangerous, but it was stupid and just as dangerous in another way to let herself be unhappy about it. To be disturbed, and even alarmed, was something else again, but not to be unhappy! Unhappiness is blinding, and the one thing she was sure of, after the evening at Sue's and the last half hour in the bar with Taussig, was that she had to keep her wits sharp and clear and perfectly objective—no matter what happened to her heart in the process.

In fact it was Richard Taussig she had to think about, not Miguel. Somehow they had got mixed up in her mind, so that it was hard to keep them apart. They had been separate enough on the ship. There hadn't been the slightest connection between them, either in her mind or in fact. She was sure of that. It had all happened since they'd come ashore. It might be on account of his uncle Diego Gongaro . . . unless she was wrong about the letter.

"But I'm not wrong about it," she told herself. "I saw it. It's one of the things I know . . . even if I don't know what it's all about."

Actually there were only two other things she really knew, when she came down to it. One was that Taussig had opened her bag and gone through her letters and had not told the truth about it. The other was that Miguel had told him she was in his room.

The rest of it was in that dangerous border line of intuition and suspicion. That was what she had to watch. Still, even Barbara French had recognized what she called Taussig's veiled scrutiny.

Anne shook her head. It didn't do any good to go over every detail of a day or two days the way she was doing.

"Night's a magnifying glass anyway," she thought.

She reached down, pulled the thin blanket up from the foot of the bed, and settled back into the pillows. She wasn't going to think about it, and she wasn't going to think about Miguel.

She closed her eyes. Just as she did the telephone on the table beside her jangled stridently. It rang again before she could pull the mosquito netting out from under the mattress and free her arm.

"Hello," she said.

"I'm sorry." It was Pete's voice that came from the other end. "I was just wondering about you . . . if you got home all right. I hope I didn't wake you up."

For a minute she couldn't think of anything to answer. This wasn't like Pete. He'd always taken it for granted—sometimes a little too much for granted—that she'd get home all right.

"Of course," she said at last. "Don't tell me it's part of your job to check up and see the tourists are all properly in bed every night. What are you doing up at this hour yourself, Captain Wilcox?"

"I've just been to a meeting of the Falange, my child," Pete said cheerfully. "It's called something else now, but it's the same old leopard with the same old spots. Go back to bed. I'm putting you on the Clipper tomorrow, remember."

"You mean you're taking me out to dinner tomorrow night. I'll see you about six. Good night, dear."

Anne put down the phone and wriggled back under the net. She



"You went through my bags yesterday didn't you, Mr. Taussig?"

sat up, crossed her legs under her and sat staring through her filmy gauze box at a lighted ship moving across the window in the silver ocean beyond the reef.

"The Falange. Of course. I never thought of that."

A whole new pattern wove itself quietly in front of her. For the moment she forgot Miguel and Richard Taussig and herself. Here was her story. It was what she'd come down to get. In the curious way that better newspaper people than she'd ever be stumbled into things, she had stumbled right into what she was hunting for, entirely without knowing it.

Diego Gongaro was Spanish. Don Alvaro was Spanish in everything but the place of his birth. The Falange was the conservative organization that had bound the old Spain and colonial Spaniards together, especially during the civil war that had changed the mother country from a republic to a totalitarian power. It was through the Falange that the Axis dominated Spain . . . and it

was the most important—sometimes actual, sometimes only potential—Fifth Column in Latin and South America. She tried to remember all the things she'd read about it. It was made up of the wealthier conservative—which down here would usually mean anti-democratic—groups. It was supposed to be the stronghold of the idea of Spanish Empire. At one time, when there was still peace in the world, it hadn't meant much more than the various foreign associations in the States had meant. Or people had thought it hadn't, including most of its members, probably. In times like the present it meant something very different. That was why in Puerto Rico it had been disbanded . . . or officially it had been. Apparently there were still remnants of it. In other places in Central America it still flourished. Correspondents were always writing about it, trying to make people at home aware that there were powerful anti-American forces at work close to the Rio Grande.

Anne lay down again and closed her eyes. Don Alvaro was old Spain. Diego Gongaro's wife, who was Graciela's mother, had been killed in the Spanish civil war. Miguel's orders had been cancelled by the War Department. Maybe it all added up . . . to what, she couldn't say. Maybe what it added up to was Richard Taussig. — Except Miguel . . . not Miguel. It was all back again from where it had started.

Richard Taussig gripped the open window ledge of the crowded station-wagon with one hand and hung on to his guide book and his yachting cap with the other. He was in one of those new vehicles known locally as public cars that provide a vast network of cheap transportation for the island and make taxi-drivers and chauffeurs a political bloc that no party dares to ignore. At the moment the car was careening maniacally across the narrow perilous causeway out the Bayamon Road from San Juan. On the right the garbage dump smoked with evil-smelling pervasiveness. Beyond it, in the shallow head of the bay, two dredges pumped softly and monotonously, filling the murky ooze swamp that stretched on the left of the road, making firm new land for the U. S. Navy. It was dotted with a couple of thousand oranges just then, where a truck had gone off the road, and just behind it a station wagon like Mr. Taussig's had gone like a dive bomber motor-deep in the mud, its rear wheels still going around. A constant stream of khaki-colored Army trucks and open field cars trundled noisily past it, and private cars darting in and out, trying to pass what seemed to Mr. Taussig to be an already solid line into town.

An accident would be easy enough, he thought—up in the hills where there was no soft cushion of mud and slime. He frowned. There were certain complications he expected and did not mind. He was used to accidents when necessary, though he preferred to avoid them. He was even used to the emotional equation that women sometimes brought in . . . but not on the level that the girl in 110 across the hall had presented. He was more used to the kind of thing he was headed for now.

The public car stopped on the side of the crowded road under an almond tree.

"Caparra, señor."

The driver pointed to a low shed-like group of buildings just beyond a rickety fence. They looked more like subterranean mushroom sheds than the ruins of the villa of Ponce

de Leon, the first governor, who built his first capital here four centuries ago, before he abandoned it and Puerto Rico to go on his search for the Fountain of Youth, and found instead Florida and death.

Mr. Richard Taussig was only superficially interested in the blue and yellow tiles and in the story of the Indian Cacique and the great Conquistadore who is still heard, and even seen, clanking up the ghostly stairs in his battle armor. He tipped the caretaker enough to make him remember him but not enough to make him suspicious, and made his way along the shaded road under the Indian almonds and flamboyants to a roadhouse. There he drank a bottle of cool pale ale in the garden and read his guide book. That was for the record too, in case one was being kept. So far as he knew, no one had followed him; but deviousness and plausibility were a habit as much as a plan, and in the half-world that Mr. Taussig operated in, overconfidence was more dangerous than wasted time.

"I can get to Rio Piedras—to the University—out this way?"

He tipped the waiter and pointed to the left fork of the road he had come on. "And to the Tuberculosis Sanatorium on the way?"

The man nodded. "Si, señor. Gracias, señor."

"If I walk along a public car will stop for me?"

"Si, señor."

Mr. Taussig set out, walking slowly. The road was less crowded than the other branch. Nevertheless he walked past the blue stucco house set behind a great hedge of red and pink hibiscus, because a car loaded with sugar cane was passing it just then. When the road was empty he turned back, went quickly through the tall gate in the hedge and closed it securely behind him.

Diego Gongaro's car stood in the drive. Taussig glanced at his watch. He had allowed himself forty-five minutes to compensate for the temperamental disregard of time that was another complication of the Latin scene that irritated his precise mind. He had not wanted to arrive at the house of Diego Gongaro's mistress until Gongaro was there himself. He was disturbed about her, just as he was disturbed about Graciela. In fact, there were too many women in all this altogether for his liking. All except little Mrs. Porter. So far as he could see, she was the one simple aspect of his problem. His impulse had been to go see her that morning, but he had rejected it. It was best to let the first move come from her.

He went up the steps, reached out to ring the bell beside the iron-grilled door, and stopped. From inside he could hear loud and hysterical weeping. It stopped abruptly, and a woman's shrill voice cried out in rapid Spanish:

"But why? Why, Diego? Why not let all of that alone? Why endanger yourself and me and your family? What is there to gain that?"

She stopped as suddenly as she had begun. A heavy chair moved, there were sharp steps on the tiled floor. Taussig stepped back, came across the porch again, scraping his rubber-soled shoes on the tile, and Gongaro came from an inner room through the portiere made of colored glass beads and short lengths of fine bamboo. He smiled cordially as he opened the grill. Whether he was unaware that his caller had heard the end of the scene, or was simply unconcerned, Mr. Taussig could not tell.

"Come in," he said. "I am happy to see that it is possible for you to be late also, my friend."

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1943

BRYANT POND

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent

Sgt. Leon Meserve was the guest of honor at a birthday party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Redman Saturday evening. A venison steak supper was served and cards enjoyed. Sgt. Meserve received gifts of a wrist watch from his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Meserve, and an identification bracelet and ring, with Air Corps insignia from the other guests. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Meserve, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farnum, Mr. and Mrs. James Billings, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King, Otis Dudley, the guest of honor and the host and hostess.

A surprise party for Miss Ida Cushman, who leaves Wednesday for training in the Waves, was held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cushman, Saturday evening. The rooms were decorated with Halloween colors and lighted with jack-o-lanterns. A social time was enjoyed. Miss Cushman received many gifts including articles to use in the service and a sum of money. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Cushman assisted by Mrs. Mildred York and Mrs. Mary Noyes. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrington and children Roberta and Alan, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Vittum and Elaine, Mr. and Mrs. Sherbourne York and Elizabeth, Mrs. Ida Allen and Mae, Mrs. Florence Cushman, Mrs. Addelynn Mann, Mrs. Dollie Carroll, Mrs. Anna Robbins, Will Parlin, Lloyd Maynard and Geraldine Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bennett and son Dean of Locke Mills, Miss Marjorie Fuller R. N., Mrs. Vivian Field of Oxford, the guest of honor and Mr. and Mrs. Cushman.

Mr. Carl C. Dudley held a Halloween party Saturday evening at her home for the children of the grade schools and all had a fine time. Schools opened again Monday morning since they closed Wednesday so the teachers could attend the convention at Bangor.

Everett Howe has moved his family to the upstairs rent in Myrtle Barton's home. Mr. Howe is employed at Claremont, N. H.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey and son Walter have moved to their new home on Main Street. Mrs. Winifred Hanscom will stay with Mrs. Bailey and continue working at Locke Mills.

Mrs. Gertrude Farnum of South Portland has been the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Carrie Davy the last few days.

Miss Velma Cummings of Lewiston has been a recent guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cummings, and father, Aubrey Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bowler of Portland, who have been the guests of his brother, Albert Bowler, and wife, returned to their home Thursday evening.

Miss Gloria Spencer of Albany has returned home after spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Louella Mills and Mrs. Ruth Tyler. Robert McKen Jr. was the guest of honor at a Halloween party given by Dexter and Miss Sally Stowell at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kirke Stow-

ell Saturday evening. Mr. McKen, who is leaving this week for service, received gifts including money. Games and dancing were enjoyed. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Stowell and Miss Sally Stowell. Those present were Miss Ramona Farnum, Miss Gloria Hobbs, Miss Elsie Redman, Miss Miriam Verrill, Miss Helen Noyes, Miss Arlene Swan, Kenneth Swan, Leroy Smith, Irvin Cushman, Raymond Robbins, Gardner Cole, Miss Elizabeth Noyes, Miss Sally Stowell, Dexter Stowell, and the guest of honor.

Mrs. Nancy Andrews, who has spent the summer in Albany, has moved to the upstairs rent of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews' home.

Mrs. Beatrice Farnum has been on the sick list but is much improved. Miss Arlene Swan worked for her a few days last week.

Gordon Farnum has finished work at Gorham and returned to his job on the railroad here.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mills, who are working for Murray Ring of Waterford were in town last week. They have given up their rent.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

Mrs. Roy Dymont, chairman of the local County War Chest Campaign, has asked the following to assist in the drive for funds: Mrs. May Wagar, Mrs. Gertrude Rich, Mrs. Roxie Inman, Mrs. Ursula Swift, Mrs. Celia Lamb, Mrs. Louie Coffin, Mrs. Marjorie Chase, Miss Myrtle Emery, Mrs. Violet Martin, Mrs. Gladys McKen and Mrs. Hazel Perham.

Starr Norine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley O. Andrews, was given a party Friday afternoon, Oct. 29, in honor of her sixth birthday. Each guest was presented a Halloween cap, and refreshments of sandwiches, punch, ice cream and a birthday cake were served. Many nice gifts were received. Those present were: Constance Swift, Theresa Hah, Mary Jane Cole, Felicia Collette, Joan Ellingwood, Wayne Penley, Eve Day, Donna Mae Andrews, sister of the honor guest, Starr Andrews; Invited but unable to attend, Gloria Abbott.

Miss Ruth Tucker is very ill at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston.

Mrs. Ada Barden is ill at the State Street Hospital, Portland. Mrs. Barden suffered a fall before returning to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earle R. LaBay, at Portland and remaining in a very serious state of health it was considered best for her to go to a

GREENWOOD CITY

The Halloween entertainment given by the pupils of the school was well attended on Friday evening. Refreshments of coffee, doughnuts, and sandwiches were on sale after the program.

Song, Jack-O-Lantern, School I Really Happened, Owen Morgan, Three Witches, Joan Tamminen, Mary Tamminen, Alta Millett, That One Awful Word, Ada Sears, Piano solo, Glenn Hayes.

The Heroes, Harold Walsanen, Alfred Hakala, Halloween, Michael Walsanen, Glenn Hayes, Reijo Saarinen, Gordon Morgan, Wand Drill, School A Ghostly Conversation, Althea Rogers, Patricia Tamminen, A Word to a Little Ghost, Albo Saarinen.

The Rabbit's Foot, Gordon Morgan, A Witch's Secret, Elizabeth Tamminen, Nancy Johnson.

The Traegdy, Ardell Hayes, Guitar solo, Owen Morgan, The Ghost in the Kitchen, Nancy Johnson, Elizabeth Tamminen, Ardell Hayes, Owen Morgan, Mrs. Roland Hayes and Mrs. Eino Tamminen were in Portland Saturday.

Walter Wyman of Lewiston was a week end guest of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis at Tubbs District.

NORTH NEWRY

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell of Auburn were overnight guests Saturday of Mrs. Newell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Hanscom.

Albert Morton and family of Portland were Sunday visitors at H. H. Morton's.

Mrs. Roy Eaton and George Eaton of Ellsworth are visiting her daughter, Mrs. Delma Ross, at Fred Wight's.

Mrs. Robert Davis spent the week end with her sister at Fryeburg.

Daniel M. Wight was an overnight guest Saturday of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight.

Mrs. Virginia Stewart is at home for a few days.

The Home and Community Welfare Committee of Bear River Grange (Una Stearns, Frances Davis and Ida Wight) will furnish the program at the next regular meeting.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cole were at Lewiston one day last week.

Madge Knights, S2C of Millidgeville, Georgia visited Tuesday with C. James Knights and family also with Herman Cole and family. She will return for duty Wednesday at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Hanno Cushman was given a surprise birthday party on Friday evening by her mother, Mrs. Clinton Buck. Refreshments of coffee, cookies, cakes and crackers were served. Games were enjoyed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Willard, Mrs. Herman Cole, son, Richard, Mrs. Edgar Davis, daughter Emma, Mr. and Mrs. C. James Knights, two children, Christine and Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cole, daughter, Lorraine, Mrs. John Hemingway, George Cushman, sons Elwin and Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Hanno Cushman, children, Elaine, Clinton and Sylvia and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Buck.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. Colby Ring, Rowe Hill were recent callers at Glenn Martin's. Also Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cassidy of Portland.

The Clifford Case family of Trenton, N. J., are at the D. R. Cole camp for a few days hunting.

Osmond Palmer is hauling wood for Mrs. R. L. Martin.

Miss Charlotte Cole was in Auburn recently.

Gerald Robinson Jr. of Norway visited with his grandparents, D. R. Cole and family over the week end.

hospital.

Miss Letty Day, Mrs. Lyndall Farr, Mrs. Charlotte Potter, Mrs. Jona Andrews and Principal Frost attended Teachers' Convention at Bangor.

Penley Brothers' mill is closed this week so the help can go hunting.

Mrs. Maurice Benson was hostess Thursday to an all day meeting of the Farm Bureau.

ROWE HILL

Mrs. Ray Hanscom and Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey moved to Bryant Pond Sunday for the winter. Mrs. Hanscom will work in Tebbets' mill at Locke Mills.

Mrs. Eva Record spent Monday with Margaret Bryant. Mrs. Stella Ring was a caller in the afternoon.

Clarence Palmer died at the home of his son, Osman, last Tuesday. Funeral services were held at Andrews' funeral room at South Woodstock and burial was at Milton.

Mrs. Durward Lang of Locke Mills was at Bryant's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Thayer were at Chester Record's Sunday after the horse Mr. Record has been keeping for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Record were supper guests at Woodbury Thayer's, Bethel, Sunday night.

WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Carie Evden of Lewiston spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Abbott and family the first of the week.

Mrs. Thalia Smith of Saco, Maine called on Mrs. Roland Kneeland Sunday.

Mrs. Ruby Rolfe and Mrs. Carla Bennett visited at Lisbon Falls Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson and Richard Bean spent Sunday at Bethel with Mrs. Johnson's son, Warren Bean and wife.

Gordon E. Mason spent the week end in New York City and in New Jersey visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Grenier returned to Portland Saturday. Mrs. Eva House of Minot is visiting her nephew, Allen Walker and family.

Among the lucky hunters last week were G. O. Kneeland, Mrs. Winona Palmer and Willard Daniels.

Stanley Thurston and George Young of Norway and Willard Young of Auburn were in town Monday.

Alfred Merrill is ill with bronchitis.

The West Bethel Sunday school enjoyed a social at the church basement on Thursday evening. Refreshments were served and games and stunts made up a pleasant evening for the older children.

Mrs. Eleanor Lovejoy entertained the children in the primary dept on Saturday afternoon. Halloween stunts and games were in order and refreshments were served.

Miss Barbara Coolidge visited her friend Miss Marilyn Abbott Friday night and Saturday.

The pupils of the West Bethel school enjoyed a Halloween party Friday afternoon at the school house.

Those receiving 100% in spelling for week ending October 29, 1943 were: Grade II, Mary Kneeland, Donald Mills; 100% in arithmetic, Warren Merrill, Donald Mills.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell of Auburn visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole last week. Mr. Newell was ill most of the week but shot a deer the day before he was taken ill.

Miss Elizabeth Cole visited a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Lena Swift, at West Paris. Denise Noyes of Bryant Pond visited with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan, last week while her parents were away on a hunting trip.

Miss Bessie Mason, student at South Portland High School, was at her home over the week end.

Announcements have been received of the birth of a son, Reginald Jr. to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Ford of North Abington, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Ford were former residents of this place.

Mrs. Rodney Cross and daughter, Neva Charlene, returned from the Rumford hospital last week.

Miss Therese Coolidge was a recent guest of Mrs. Carlton Saunders at Skillingston.

Miss Mildred Churchill of Minor is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Donald Tebbets.

Arthur Coolidge with Raymond Dexter of Bethel and friends from Rhode Island are on a hunting trip at Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Jordan visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Packard at Waterville.

Onel Bachelder, Seaman 2/c, visited his mother, Mrs. John Swan, and family over the week end.

Willard and Ernest Cole of Howe Hill each shot a deer last week.

Donald Bennett is at South Paris as a traverse juror.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Erland Whittemore in the loss of their little son James Joseph, whose death occurred very suddenly Friday morning, Oct. 29. Jimmy, as he was called, was born at Berlin July 19, 1942. Services were held for him Monday, and interment was at Locke Mills.

Miss Ruth Rich was at Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. Julius Robinson recently received a visit from her brother, Howard Inman, who is stationed at Fort Bragg.

EAST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball of Lewiston spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. John Howe.

James Farwell was ill last week and Willard Farwell of Woodstock came Tuesday to assist his father, O. B. Farwell, with the farm work for the remainder of the week.

Mrs. Almon Coolidge, daughter Arlene, and Clarke Bartlett were with mumps last week.

Mrs. O. W. Fales of Dorchester, Mass., is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. John Howe.

Mrs. George Cole of Greenwood came Saturday morning to stay with her daughter, Mrs. William Hastings for a while.

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GROVER HILL

Visitors last week of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Whitman were their son Arthur, with his wife and young son, also Emerson Trefethern and his mother, Mrs. Jeanette Trefethern, all of Portsmouth, N. H., Friday Mrs. Roy Andrews and son Rodney of Randolph, N.H., were dinner guests of the Whitmans.

Rodney Waterhouse has finished work in the Portland shipyard and has gone to Vermont to be employed in an airplane factory. Fred A. Mundt is visiting his sons in Westbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward King and son of Jefferson, N. H., recently visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Waterhouse.

M. A. Jordan and daughter Eleanor, Mrs. Lila Tufts and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Meserve and daughter Joan of Mechanic Falls have recently been entertained by Mrs. M. F. Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnard.

Mrs. John Silver and her father, Roy Grover, of Gorham were guests at F. A. Mundt's last week. It is reported that Millard Clough of Mill Street was lately treed by a large moose on the meadow below Cobblestone Farm.

A. J. Peaslee has been confined to the house by a severe cold and cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Marble Dube of Gorham, N. H., called on Karl J. Stearns one day last week.

J. C. Hardie of Brockton, Mass., was calling on friends here last Friday.

Mrs. Elden Mills, whose death occurred last week in West Bethel, is most pleasantly remembered here as she was a resident of Grover Hill for several years.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

and Vicinity

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

The Church service next Sunday, Nov. 7, will be held at the Town House at 2:30 p. m. and continue through the winter. Before the service there will be a Sunday School conducted by Mrs. Annie Bumpus, assisted by Miss Beverly Hall. It will not be possible to furnish transportation but it is hoped that several will be able to attend.

Howard Inman is home for a 15 day furlough.

Robert Rhinehart called at Harlan Bumpus' one day last week.

There was a Hilda Ines Class meeting at Mrs. Edna Spring's, Hunt's Corner, Saturday afternoon to elect officers for the coming year. The following were elected: vice president, Mrs. Sarah Andrews; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Annie Bumpus. Refreshments were served by the leader, Mrs. Spring.

At the Town House Saturday evening a party was given for Howard Lapham, who leaves to join the Armed Forces Nov. 3. A very enjoyable evening was spent in games, Hallowe'en stunts, music and dancing. Refreshments of sweet cider were served, and Howard received a sum of money to buy some of the things he will need later.

Joe Payne is home for a few days hunting.

The annual meeting of the Albany Circle was held at Mrs. Bertha Andrews' Friday evening, Oct. 29, and the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Hazel Wardwell; vice president, Mrs. Edith Stearns; secretary, Mrs. Edna Spring; treasurer, Mrs. Bertha Andrews. Popcorn was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Payne and Mrs. Minnie Littlefield spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hall and family at Freeport.

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MIDDLE INTERVALE

Raymond and Mervin Buck each got a deer Friday.

The class on Home Nursing sponsored by the Farm Bureau met at Mrs. Ethel Ward's Thursday. Miss Ethel Walsh was the leader.

Roger Foster shot a deer at Sunday River Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey Stevens spent Sunday at Dryden.

Richard Stevens worked for Augustus Carter Monday.

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent
Major Lilly of the Army Air Force and Grover Bartlett of Bangor called at K. A. Hinkley's Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Antone Correia, their son who is on furlough, their two daughters, and Ralph Verrill of East Providence, R. I., spent a few days at their camp on Lake Umbagog recently.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Andrew of Wilton were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Judkins.

Mrs. Selma J. Sanborn, who has spent several weeks in Phillips, Wilton, Weld, and Rumbold, has returned home for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fuller and family have moved into the Everett Lane house, which they have purchased.

The school had a Hallowe'en party at the schoolhouse Saturday evening. Several parents attended. Hallowe'en games were played and fortunes told. Refreshments of cocoa and doughnuts were served. David Milligan, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milligan are home from the Bath shipyard for a week.

Alfred Boucher, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Milligan was home from Rumbold Sunday.

Mrs. Albert E. Judkins and young son Robert and her sister, Miss Viola Brownell, of Camden were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Judkins and family a few days last week, returning home Monday.

Mrs. Sidney E. Abbott and her nephew, Manley Wilnot, of East Sumner are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Judkins.

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Battle Tides to Influence 1944 Political Campaign

Close Observers Change Minds, Express Belief President Will Not Be Candidate If War Ends by Spring.



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As the political campaign, which will be over in a short year, begins to increase in tempo, it is interesting to note that noticeable shock recorded by the reporters at a recent White House press and radio conference when the President tossed off that phrase "when I am out of the White House."

Taken in the context, it was immediately clear that the President did not delimit the time element in this statement and there was no real justification for the startled pause when pencils stopped scribbling and heads and eyebrows went up at the presidential remark. Mr. Roosevelt was merely pointing out, in connection with the postwar rubber situation, that he believed that any proposed tariff to protect the synthetic rubber plants after the war should be vetoed, and he implied that any President who vetoed such a measure might stir up a lot of opposition from the synthetic rubber manufacturers.

But we have become so accustomed to the idea that Mr. Roosevelt himself thinks only in terms of his own regime without time or other limitations, than an expression which seemed to indicate the opposite naturally caused a stir.

However, it is entirely possible that Mr. Roosevelt will not be a candidate in 1944. There are even those who enjoy making rash prophecies who are already saying he has made up his mind not to run at all under any circumstances. This type of prediction is accepted in Washington as being in that class of guesses which have about a 40-60 chance of being right.

But closer observers who do not choose to guess the President's inner thoughts but are thoroughly familiar with his manner of thinking, deduce, from what they believe is past experience, that he will not be a candidate if the war is over by next spring. This is contrary to earlier prognostications that his desire to be President when the blue-print for the postwar world are being drawn would incline him toward running for a fourth term.

End of Conflict

Although none of the army or navy officers of the top command will allow themselves to be quoted as saying the war will end early in 1944, a number of bolder and less constrained military folk are willing to say this is possible.

It is interesting to consider that a year ago this summer, when many believed that invasion of northern Europe by the Allies would be undertaken by the spring of 1943, few people were predicting, even under such circumstances, an end of the war early in 1944. When we consider what has happened since a year ago, we can see the progress which has been made. Far from any action in which the word "conquest" could be used, the Wehrmacht in Russia has been driven beyond its last Russian defense lines in many places. The dream of an African empire has become the reality of bitter defeat and despite desperate defense measures, the most powerful air blows are being struck against the Reich.

Japanese Situation

Within the year, Japan's power has begun to crumble at a rate and in a manner which makes it plain that she will not have to be batten back island by island and every Jap

on foreign soil killed. The Mikado's "unconquerables" have become exceedingly adept at getting away from points once expected to be last stands, with remarkable alacrity and apparent satisfaction in their own retreatability.

Therefore, it is not at all impossible that the President, if he intends voluntarily to retire with the end of the fighting, means that he will be "out of the White House" at his own behest, before the ides of November, '44.

This situation, if it does arise, imposes an interesting problem for the Democrats. It is pretty generally agreed that the conservative element in the Democratic party has been gaining in power in the last months when the President bestowed positions of key importance on the right wing of the party while many New Dealers faded into the background.

GOP Attitude

And while the burning highlights of the administration portrait are being toned down to more sober hues, the Republicans seem to be outdoing themselves in an effort to show that they can make use of the bright lexicon of youth as a reference work and select from it promising shibboleths who speak of action rather than reaction.

Of course, Mr. Willkie does not speak for the Republican party but he has a following which his supporters hope will be reinforced by disgruntled former New Dealers as well as others whose leanings, although they have never been such that they could wholeheartedly support a Democratic regime, are still far enough left to demand the most progressive candidate offered under any other respectable banner.

Meanwhile, of course, the President must, according to the inviolable principles of politics, show no signs of intending to withdraw, since it is written that you can't control your party unless there is a fair chance that you are going to continue to be its active head.

General Arnold Explains

On a mild day, with the Virginia countryside warm in the glow of autumn, and the Potomac sparkling in the sunlight, some 50 newsmen—correspondents, columnists, radio commentators—climbed up the wide stone steps of the river entrance to the famous Pentagon building.

General Arnold, chief of America's army air forces, took his seat and began to talk. The gist of his words you have read. What he felt can only be guessed but he was faced with the proposition of "explaining the obvious" and he seemed just a little weary at the prospect. Arnold is a pleasant but blunt-spoken fighting man with wings and service ribbons won in service.

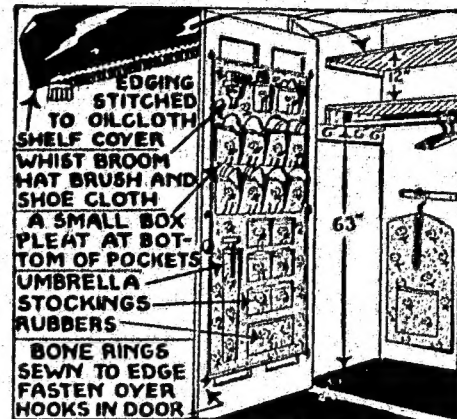
A few days before, he happened to listen to a commentator who was computing in dollars and lives and material the cost of the bombing raid of the great ball-bearing factory in Schweinfurt, Germany.

The general was exceedingly irked. What the commentator did not perhaps realize was the number of endless explanations of "the obvious" which General Arnold has had to make since we entered the war. And if Germany does crumble because her war effort is smashed, it will be Arnold's explanations as well as the bombs themselves that ought to get the credit.

If he had not been able to "explain" that American bombers could fly in sufficient numbers, into the heart of Germany in the light of day and hit a target with the precision to destroy it, we would never have a chance to prove it could be done. There were few in high places either here or in Britain who believed such an absurd, untried thing was practical. But he had his chance and proved his thesis. Then, when the experts were convinced, when he was beginning to swing into action, the public began to exclaim at the cost of his raids. That must have been hard to take.

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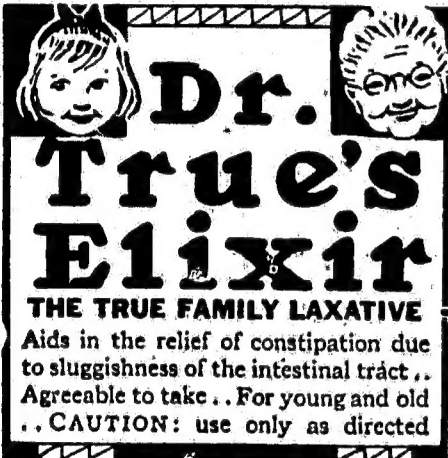
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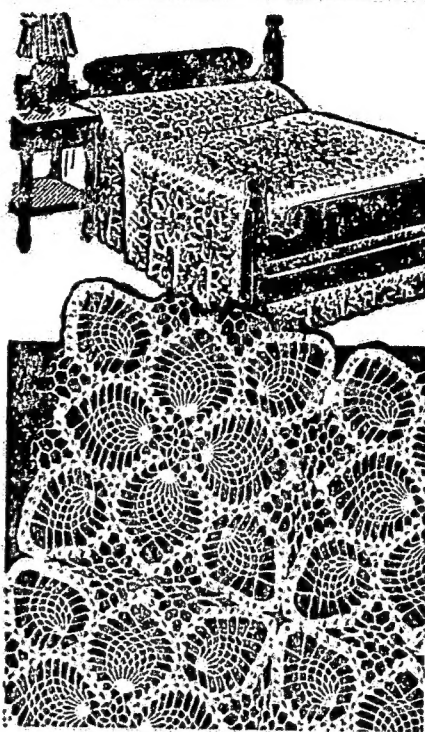
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